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For: BIPHENYL DERIVATIVES SUBSTITUTED WITH AN

AROMATIC OR HETEROAROMATIC RADICAL, AND PHARMACEUTICAL AND COSMETIC COMPOSITIONS

CONTAINING THEM

July 7, 2003

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Preliminarily amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Amend the claims as follows:

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Page 1, after the title, insert the following new paragraph:

This application is a division of application Serial No. 09/932,938, filed August 21, 2001, allowed, which is a divisional of application Serial No. 09/284,026, filed April 6, 1999 (now U.S. Patent No. 6,316,009), which is a 371 National Phase of PCT/FR98/01834, filed 21 August 1998, the entire content of each of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application.